

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	DATE	<u><b>October 04, 2017</b></u>
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	DOCKET NO.	<u><b>2017-207-E</b></u>
UTILITIES MATTER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ORDER NO.	<u><b>2017-637</b></u>

**THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.**

**SUBJECT:**

DOCKET NO. 2017-207-E - Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club, Complainant/Petitioner v. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, Defendant/Respondent - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration a Discussion of Procedural Schedule Coordination with Docket No. 2017-305-E - Request of the Office of Regulatory Staff for Rate Relief to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Rates Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-920.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

There are currently two dockets pending before us pertaining to Summer Units 2 & 3, as well as pronouncements that South Carolina Electric & Gas Company will file another abandonment petition in the future. Specifically, we have 2017-207-E in which Friends of the Earth and the Sierra Club have sought discovery, and we have the Office of Regulatory Staff's petition in 2017-305-E, in which a motion for intervention by Friends of the Earth and the Sierra Club is now pending without current opposition. Rule 1 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure is instructive in its call for tribunals and litigants to secure the just, speedy and inexpensive determination of every action. In that spirit, I believe we should coordinate these dockets in a way that is judicially efficient, achieves substantial justice, and protects due process. Both the operative facts and the relief sought in the two actions are similar. Therefore, I move we allow the discovery process in 2017-207-E to proceed under applicable Commission rules -- but suggest that discovery in 2017-207-E be coordinated with discovery in 2017-305-E. To further that goal, I move that we appoint David Butler as Hearing Officer.

I further move we request that the parties in the two dockets file, within ten days of the date of the issuance of this Order, briefs communicating their positions on how best to coordinate the two proceedings. At this time, there are several motions for intervention pending in the 2017-305-E Docket. While those petitions are not yet ripe for consideration under Commission Regulations 103-825 & 829, I would invite those with pending intervention motions to also provide comment if they so desire.

PRESIDING: Whitfield

SESSION: Regular

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

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